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## Verified Statement of Named Inventor Under Rule 48(a)

Dear Sir:

Douglas M. Sheffield, Jr. declares that:

The inventions described and claimed in the above-described patent application as filed and as amended by the accompanying Amendment A were developed in part by me, and in part by my wife Tamaza Sheffield during 1996 to 1997 at our home in St. Louis, Missouri.

We unexpectedly discovered factors essential to expanding the original concept of my invention disclosed in U.S. Patent 5,714,215 so that other configurations could be eccorded self-suction functionality.

I inadvertently overlooked my wife's independent contribution at the time that I originally executed the above-described patent application. Upon reflection after reviewing the Examiner's statements and upon advise of counsel, her practical suggestions that assisted in making the main idea operative are sufficient to make her a co-inventor.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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